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TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL

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1. SUMMARY. DURING FIVE DAYS OF MEETINGS WITH SOVIET OFFICIALS IN MOSCOW, TWO OFFICIALS OF NEWLY-FORMED US-USSR JOINT TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL DISCUSSED INITIAL JOINT US-SOVIET BOARD MEETING OF COUNCIL TO TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON IN FEB 1974, MADE FURTHER PROGRESS ON ACQUISITION OF MOSCOW OFFICE FOR COUNCIL, AND DISCUSSED POSSIBLE BUSINESS DEALS BETWEEN US MEMBER FIRMS OF COUNCIL AND USSR. ATMOSPHERE THROUGHOUT MEETINGS WAS EXCELLENT, SOVIETS ARRANGING HEAVY SCHEDULE, COOPERATING FULLY. END SUMMARY.

2. JOHN CONNOR OF JOINT US-USSR TRADE AND ECONOMIC COUNCIL BRIEFED EMBASSY DEC 20 ON RESULTS HIS FIVE-DAY VISIT HERE, WITH COUNCIL PRESIDENT HAROLD SCOTT.

3. SOVIETS ARRANGED HEAVY SCHEDULE FOR ENTIRE VISIT WHICH BEGAN WITH TWO AND ONE-HALF HOUR MEETING WITH ALKHIMOV SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVAL ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON, DEC 16. IN
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ADDITION TO LUNCHEONS AND DINNERS, MEETINGS INCLUDED HOUR-

LONG VISIT WITH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESIDENT BORISOV,
TWO HOURS WITH GVISHIANI OF STATE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY AND ONE-HOUR MEETING WITH FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER
PATOLICHEV (DEC 19).

4. CONNOR SUMMARIZED MAIN BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHED AS FOLLOWS:

A) PREPARATION FOR JOINT BOARD MEETING OF COUNCIL TO
TAKE PLACE IN WASHINGTON FEBRUARY 25, 26. MEETING WILL BE
GIVEN AS MUCH PUBLICITY AS APPEARS FEASIBLE. FIVE SOVIET
MEMBERS, NAMES STILL NOT AVAILABLE, WILL FLY TO WASHINGTON
FOR MEETING. AS FIRST MEETING OF COUNCIL WILL FORMALLY ACTIVATE
ORGANIZATION, SCOTT AND CONNOR HOPE TO HAVE WELCOMING SPEECHES
BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AT HIGHEST POSSIBLE LEVEL. PRELIMINARY
PLANS FOR WASHINGTON MEETING WERE MADE AT US BOARD MEMBERS MEETING
IN NEW YORK ON DEC 12. TURNOUT FOR THIS MEETING WAS EXCELLENT,
19 OF 26 US MEMBERS OF BOARD BEING ON HAND, INCLUDING ROCKWELL,
KAISER, CLAUSSEN AND GXSTENBERG OF GM.

B) MOSCOW OFFICE. SOVIETS PROPOSED TWO POSSIBLE LOCATIONS,
BOTH GOOD. DESIGNATION OF SOVIET PERSONNEL FOR MOSCOW OFFICE
STAFF ALSO UNDERWAY. HOPEFULLY ALL DETAILS ON MOSCOW OFFICE SPACE
WILL BE NAILED DOWN BY JANUARY 1 OR SOON AFTER.

C) BUSINESS PROPOSALS. CONNOR SAID KENDALL AND SCOTT HAVE
WORKED OUT NUMBER OF POSSIBLE BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN COUNCIL'S
US MEMBER FIRMS AND USSR, SOME VERY IMAGINATIVE. THEY INCLUDE
CONCEPT OF SOVIET SUPPLY OF CERTAIN RAW MATERIALS AND MANUFACTURED
GOODS IN SHORT SUPPLY IN US, ALSO SALES TO USSR. VERY GOOD
PROGRESS ON ONE PROPOSAL HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE.

5. ATMOSPHERE THROUGHOUT MEETINGS IN MOSCOW WAS EXCELLENT.
SOVIETS, AND ESPECIALLY ALKHIMOV, PUSHED HARD TO ACCOMPLISH AS
MUCH AS POSSIBLE. EXAMPLE: IN MEETING DEC 20 WITH GADAYENKO OF
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ON BY-LAWS FOR COUNCIL, GADAYENKO SUGGESTED THAT
CHAMBER WORK OUT PROPOSALS AND MAIL TO NEW YORK. ALKHIMOV SAID NO,
BEST TO DO IT NOW. RESULT--DRAFT BY-LAWS WORKED OUT AFTER TWO
HOUR PLUS MEETING.

6. DURING VISIT SCOTT ALSO GAVE INTERVIEW FOR MOSCOW TV FILM
WHICH WILL BE SHOWN AS DOCUMENTARY END-OF-YEAR REPORT ON EVENTS
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DURING 1973. HE IS REPORTEDLY ONE OF FEW FOREIGNERS TO APPEAR
IN FILM AND ONLY AMERICAN.

7. CONNOR EXPECTS RETURN MOSCOW IN JANUARY FOR FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS.
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